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## Ethics in Journalism

### SPJ Code of Ethics

The SPJ Code of Ethics is ~~voluntarily~~ embraced by thousands of writers, editors and other news professionals. The present version of the code was adopted by the 1996 SPJ National Convention, after months of study and debate among the Society's members.

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### Ethics Resources

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### Ethics Case Studies

For journalism instructors and others interested in presenting ethical dilemmas for debate and discussion, SPJ has a useful resource. We've been collecting a number of case studies for use in SPJ/Bloomberg workshops. The Ethics AdviceLine operated by the Chicago Headline Club and Loyola University also has provided a number of examples. There seems to be no shortage of ethical issues in journalism these days. Please feel free to use these examples in your classes, speeches, columns or other modes of communication.

**CASE STUDY:** [A Congressman's Past](#)

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